

# **ALTERNATIVES TO DEMOLITION**

**Opportunities to Reduce Solid Waste through Deconstruction:  
Reuse & Recycling of Building Materials**

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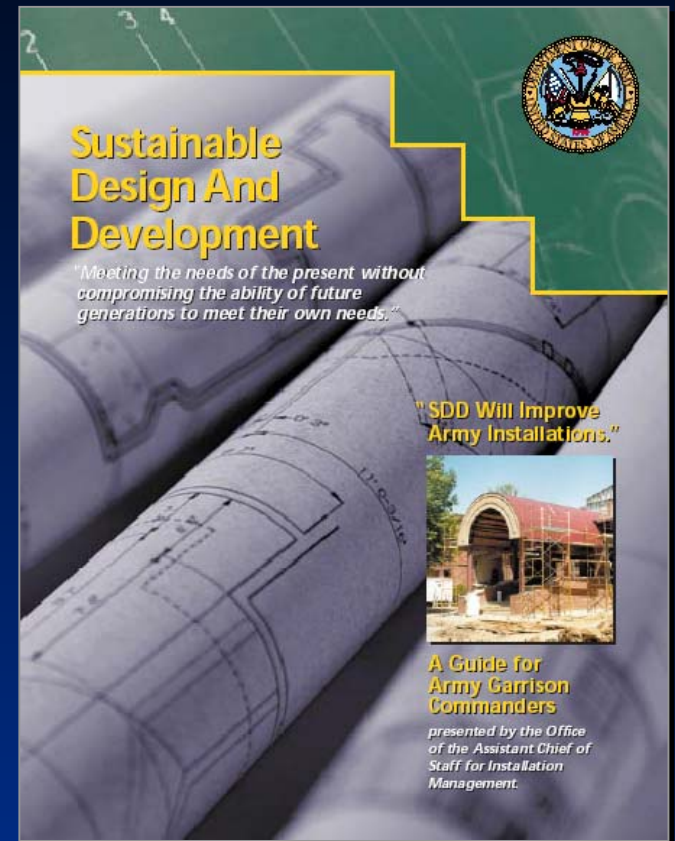


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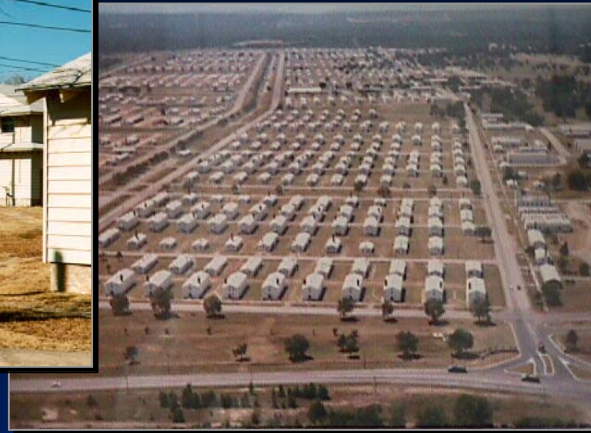
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# “SUSTAINABLE DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT”

- We know the drill ...
  - EO 13101 “Greening of the Government ...”
  - PDASA (I&E) Memorandum “Deconstruction and Re-Use of Excess Army Buildings”
  - DoD P2 Measure of Merit
  - SPiRiT
  - ACSIM Guidance
  - Others



# EXCESS ARMY FACILITIES: CURRENT PROBLEM



- Need to dispose of about 50 Million ft<sup>2</sup> of surplus WWII-era building
- Roughly 3x that amount, total requirement



## Current Problem

- **As a liability:**

- *Building debris: ~100 ton / 500 yd<sup>3</sup>*
- *Concrete debris: ~200 ton / 200 yd<sup>3</sup>*
- *Demolition cost: \$25,000 +*
- *Life Cycle landfill cost: ~ \$15,000*
- *Landfill expansion is problematic*
- *Off-site disposal: \$30-90/ton*





# **“DECONSTRUCTION”**

- **Dismantling a building in the reverse order of construction**
- **...for the purposes of maximum reuse and recycling of materials**
- **...in a cost-effective and safe manner**

***But why even consider DECONSTRUCTION?***



## Deconstruction

- **As a potential resource:**
  - *Framing Lumber: ~ 20,000 BF (board-ft)*
  - *Sheathing ~5,000 ft<sup>2</sup>*
  - *Siding: ~5,000 ft<sup>2</sup>*
  - *Ext. doors: 6 Ea*
  - *Windows: 40 Ea*
  - *... Others*



# ARMY EXAMPLES



- **Fort McCoy, WI**

- *Advertised to general public*
- *140+ buildings since 1992*
  - *\$3.5 Million savings*
  - *Recycles concrete on-post*



- **Fort Knox, KY**

- *Auctions recycle rights*
- *258 buildings over 37 mo.*
  - *~78,468 tons debris diverted*
  - *~\$641,114 savings in demo*
  - *~\$256,085 income generated*



# FORT CAMPBELL PILOT DECONSTRUCTION

- **5 Buildings, ~22,000 ft<sup>2</sup> Total Scope**
  - *Administrative, Barracks, Warehouse*
  - *Partnership among CERL, USEPA, Fort Campbell PWBC, HfH, AmeriCorps, University of Florida CCE, US Forest Products Laboratory*







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## Ft. Campbell Pilot

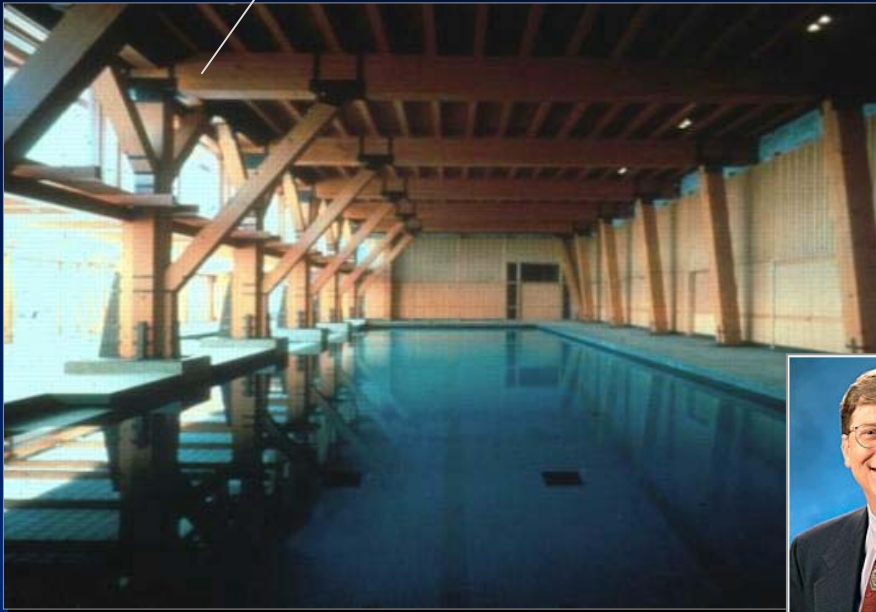
- **Salvaged for resale**

- 98 Windows
  - 23 Personnel Doors
  - 136 Roof Trusses
  - 14,300 ft<sup>2</sup> T&G Wood Flooring (Oak & Pine)
  - 107,000 BF Lumber
  - 8 Furnaces / heaters
  - Misc. plumbing & electrical components
  - >5 Tons scrap metal
  - Others
- ....\$41,000 resale value



## A Non-Army Example

Salvaged Timbers



- **Gates Residence, Medina, WA**
  - *“Price is no object”*



# DISPOSAL OF LEAD-BASED PAINTED BUILDING MATERIALS AT FORT ORD

- Apply reactive coating to reduce solubility / leachability of lead
- Coated materials will pass Federal TCLP for lead
- Segregate debris
  - Recycle “clean” debris
  - Thermal process LBP materials







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# RECOVERY OF LBP-COATED WOOD

- Painted wood can be re-milled to produce high value products
  - *Siding materials are higher quality wood products*
  - *Applicable with manual deconstruction*
  - *LBP waste is concentrated in small volume of wood waste*



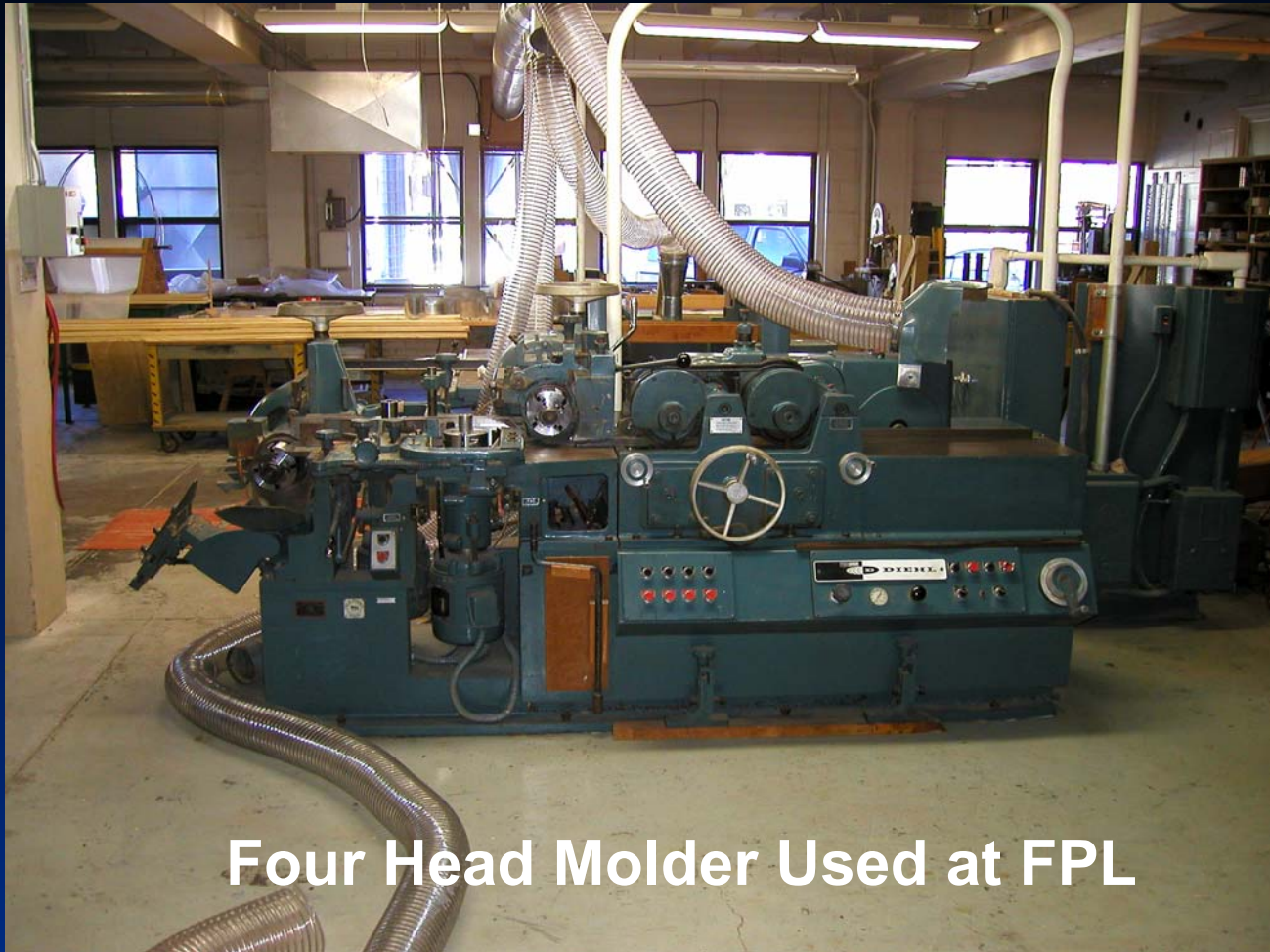
# Fort Ord Siding

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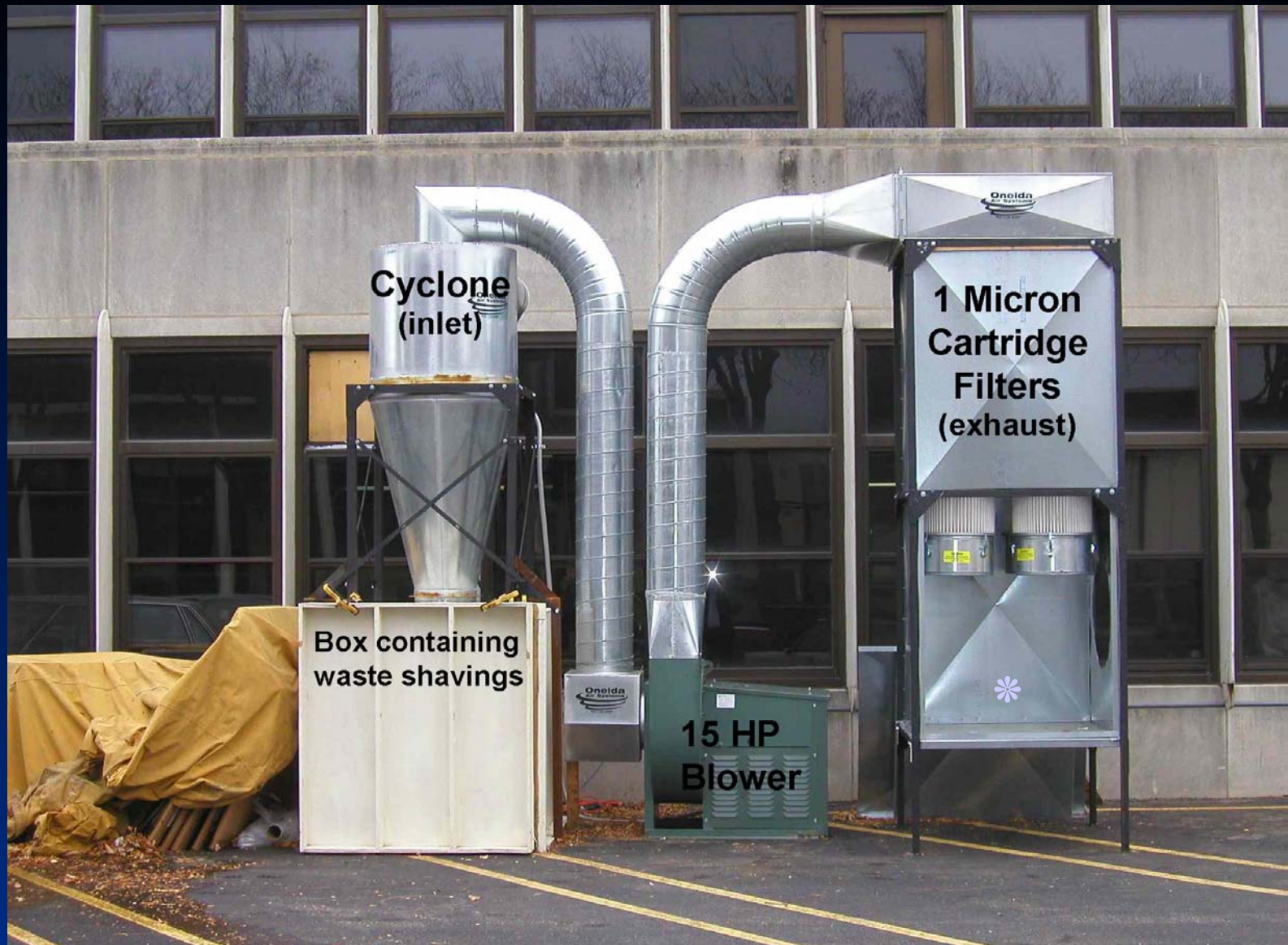
**Four Head Molder Used at FPL**



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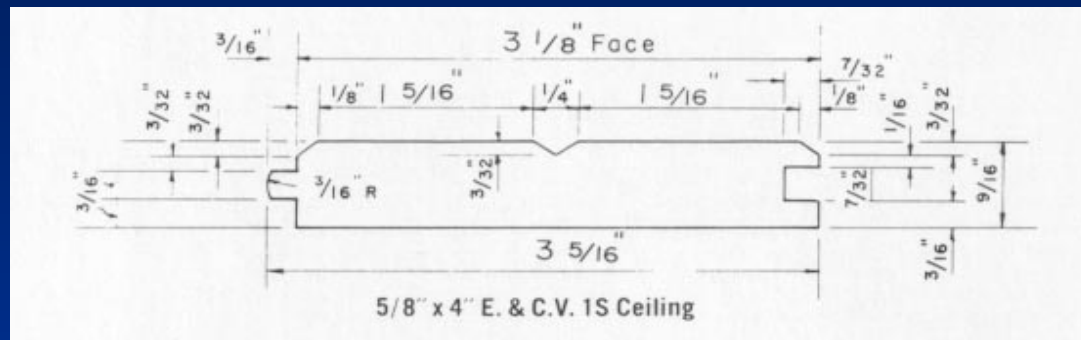
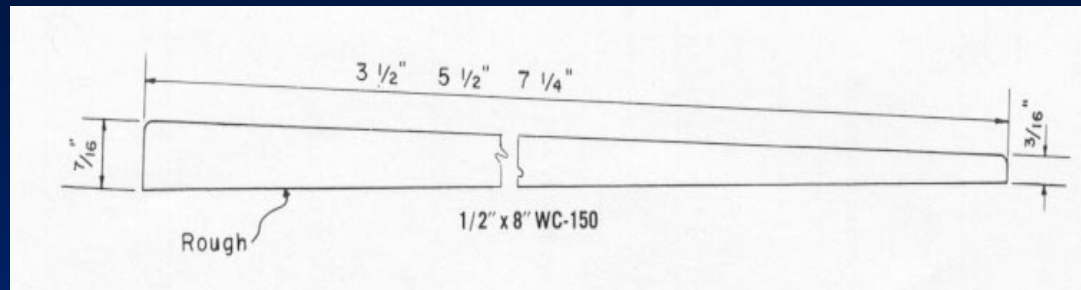
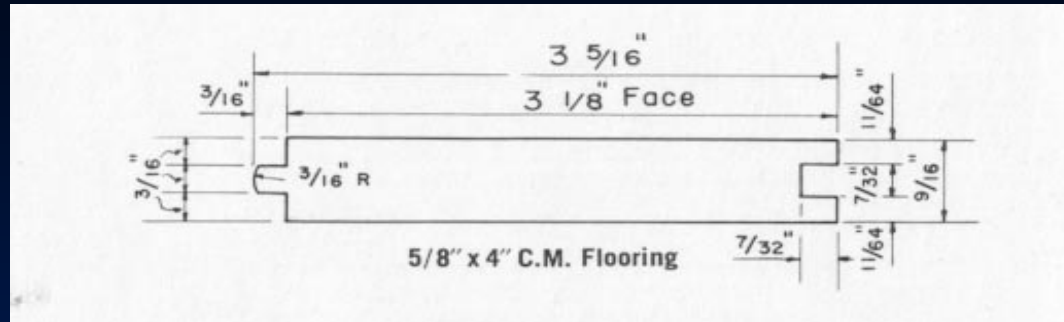


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# Products Evaluated at FPL



## Value of Siding for Flooring

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- **Antique T&G flooring (nominal 3" width)**
  - ***Typical pricing: \$3 - \$11/ ft<sup>2</sup>***
    - ***Higher value for vertical grain (VG)***
  - ***Higher value for nail holes!***
  - ***4 linear feet equals 1 ft<sup>2</sup>***
- **Retail value from each building at least \$2,500 (based on \$4 / ft<sup>2</sup>)**



# RECYCLING CONCRETE FROM BUILDINGS

- Research environmental issues
- Define applications for recycled aggregate products
- Develop cost & schedule data
- Develop guidance & resources





# Lead (Pb) in Concrete

- Joint case study at Fort Ord (FHU) - CERL, CMRA, NADC
- Model Pb concentrations from building to crushed concrete product
- Compare to (or derive) environmental standards



# WHAT WE'RE DOING NOW

- **Recycling Concrete from Building (process and LBP issues)** (*RDTE*)
- **Public Works Tech. Bulletins** (*CEMP-IS / CESWT-PM*)
- **Deconstruction Demo at Fort McClellan** (*UFL, DoD/EPA P2*) April 2003
- **Deconstruction / Material Recovery Demo at Camp Roberts, CA** (*ESTCP*)
- **Feasibility of Deconstruction at Badger AAP** (*USFPL*)
- **Disposal of LBP Building Materials & Recovery of LBP Coated Wood** (*Congressional*)





# WHAT WE'RE ABLE TO DO

- **Cost analyses**
- **Industry / partnering**
- **Deconstruction project development**
- **Environmental assistance**
- **Project documentation / analyses**
- **Data / guidance**
- **.... Other**



# QUESTIONS / COMMENTS?



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## **Websites for More Info**

- **<<http://www.hnd.usace.army.mil/techinfo/CPW/pwtb.htm>>**
  - ***Public Works Technical Bulletins***
- **<http://buildingdeconstruction.org> + email list**
  - ***Deconstruction Research Consortium***
- **<https://www.denix.osd.mil/aswr> + email list**
  - ***Army Solid Waste and Recycling***
- **<http://www.cec.er.army.mil/SustDesign/Index.cfm>**
  - ***CERL Sustainable Design (incl. SPiRiT)***



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